

### **REMARKS**

Reconsideration of the above referenced application in view of the enclosed amendments and remarks is requested.

The Final Office Action rejects claims 31-33, 36-38, 40-52, and 55-57 under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(b) and 103(a). Also, the Final Office Action objects to claims 34-35, 39, 53, and 54 as being dependent on a rejected claim, and indicates that those claims would otherwise be allowable.

Applicant respectfully submits that the rejections in the Final Office Action are not well founded.

However, in order to eliminate the additional expenses and delays typically associated with the appeal process, this response cancels claim 54 and amends each of the independent claims (i.e., claims 31, 42, 45, and 50) to include the feature indicated allowable in claim 54.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, claims 31-53 and 55-57 are all in condition for allowance. Therefore, prompt issuance of Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (512) 732-3927.

Respectfully submitted,

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